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monitor services for juvenile offenders throughout the state. Administrative functions which are lacking and which are typically found within the administrative structure of state juvenile correctional agencies include, and she goes on to name six different places. Additional staff should be assigned. I hope that if we pass LB 640 that additional staff will be assigned or reassigned to ensure that these functions are performed within the administrative office. Contract and program monitoring has been minimal and financial oversight is virtually impossible because financial records are not separately maintained and monitored by OJS for services that are directly ordered by the court. In order to build confidence in this system of services available to youth committed to state custody an effective management structure has to be in place. That is what Senator Thompson has said over and over and over. I don't think we're there yet. Why are we doing this now when this body is usually very reluctant to do anything before everything is in place. We do studies and we know that the Office of Juvenile Services is not ready. They don't have a computer system that can...can tell the difference between a juvenile offender and a neglected child. I'm concerned that, if we do start this and the court has no say over what happens to this juvenile offender, we're going to make just really good adult offenders. They're going to know how to manipulate the system to their own advantage, and the courts won't know what, if anything is being done. Apparently, the Office of Juvenile Services does not know what's going on. So it would be nice if we had at least one entity, the judicial system, that did. I appreciate Senator Coordsen's being here to give us institutional history. It's interesting to hear his feelings and what he went through; it embittered him so terribly, it hurt him so badly that he's hardly been able to carry...well, he's never carried any juvenile justice or welfare bill again, and that is for the detriment of the...of the children in this state. It's good to have Senator Coordsen as an advocate. It's good to have all of us as an advocate. And I'm here to advocate for the kids...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR SUTTLE: ...and not for the judicial system or the